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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF UK RESTRICTIONS ON COTTON YARN

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1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTS THAT CONTAINED REFTEL. PORTUGAL HAS AGREED UNDER ITS VOLUNTARY RESTRAINT ARRANGEMENT NOT TO EXCEED 5450 METRIC TONS OF COTTON YARN EXPORTS TO THE UK FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR OF 1976. THIS REPRESENTS A SLIGHT INCREASE IN THE RATE OF EXPORTS ALLOWED SINCE FIRST HALF 1976 TOTAL WAS 2540 MT. UK'S IMPORT QUOTA ON COTTON YARN FROM SPAIN WAS DECREASED FOR SECOND HALF OF 1976: JAN.-JUNE QUOTA WAS 1413 MT BUT JULY-DEC. TOTAL IS 1319 MT.

2. THESE STEPS HAVE BEEN EXPECTED SINCE THE ORIGINAL UK REQUEST TO EC IN DECEMBER OF 1975 HAD BEEN FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR OF 1976. UK WAS GIVEN AUTHORITY TO MAINTAIN RESTRICTIONS FOR ONLY SIX MONTHS AND TOLD TO COME BACK
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AGAIN WITH A FURTHER JUSTIFICATION FOR MAINTAINING

THESE MEASURES THROUGH SECOND HALF 1976. EC HAS AGREED
TO EXTENSION THROUGH END OF 1976 BUT THERE IS INSUFFI-
CIENT INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US AT THIS TIME TO
ACCURATELY SPECULATE ON WHETHER UK WILL SEEK ANY FURTHER
EXTENSIONS. HOWEVER WE UNDERSTAND THERE HAVE BEEN TALKS
WITH SPAIN IN AN ATTEMPT TO ARRIVE AT A VOLUNTARY EXPORT
RESTRAINT AGREEMENT.

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